

RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Additions and Changes for the Fifty-ninth Legislature Adopted as of March 5, 1965

Rule 1. Section 11 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 11. The Speaker shall choose and appoint all employees of the House with the exception of the following employees who shall be elected by the membership:

Chief Clerk
Journal Clerk
Calendar Clerk
Sergeant-at-Arms

"The Speaker shall have the right and power to discharge any employee, elected or appointed, during the interim or while the House is in session; and the Speaker shall have the power to fill any vacancy in an elective position by appointment until their successor has been elected. They shall receive such compensation as the House may determine; after their salary shall have been fixed, no increased compensation shall be allowed them for that particular Legislature except as may be authorized by the Speaker. No officer or employee of the House, except the Chaplain, shall be permitted to receive, directly or indirectly, either by gift or otherwise, any compensation from any other source except as may be specifically authorized by the Speaker."
(H. S. R. 3, 59th Reg., January 12, 1965)

Rule 8. Section 20 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 20. All committees shall require all witnesses appearing before said committees to give their testimony under oath, and each committee may avail itself of such other additional powers and prerogatives as are authorized by the provisions of Chapter 303, Acts of the 57th Legislature, Regular Session, 1961, page 654, codified as Article 5429f, Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."
(H. S. R. 3, 59th Reg., January 12, 1965)

Rule 13. Section 1 is amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. There shall be a motion for the previous question, which shall be admitted only when seconded by twenty-five Members. It shall be put by the Chair in this manner: 'The motion has been seconded. Three minutes pro and con debate will be allowed on the motion for ordering the previous question.' As soon as the debate has ended the Chair shall continue: 'As many as are in favor of ordering the previous question on (here state on which question or questions) will say "Aye", ' and

then, 'As many as are opposed say "Nay".' As in all other propositions a motion for the previous question may be taken by a record vote if demanded by three Members. If ordered by a majority of the Members voting, a quorum being present, it shall have the effect of cutting off all debate, except as provided in Section 3 and 4 of this rule, and bringing the House to a direct vote upon the immediate question or questions upon which it has been asked and ordered.

"The motion to adjourn is not admissible after a motion for the previous question is accepted by the Chair, or after the seconding of such motion, and before a vote is taken on such motion.

"The motion for the previous question is not subject to a motion to table." (H. S. R. 3, 59th Reg., January 12, 1965)

Rule 18. Section 19 is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 19. During the consideration of any bill or resolution, the House may, by a majority vote, order the bill or resolution to be considered section by section, or department by department, until each such section or department shall have been given separate consideration. If such procedure is ordered, only amendments to the section or department under consideration at any given time shall be in order; provided, however, that after each such section or department shall have been considered separately, the entire bill or resolution shall be open for amendment, which amendments shall be subject to the provisions of Section 8 of Rule 19. Once the consideration of a bill section by section or department by department shall have been ordered, it shall not be in order to move the previous question on the entire bill, to re-commit it, to lay it on the table, or to postpone it, until each such section or department shall have been given separate consideration or the vote by which section by section consideration was ordered is reconsidered.

"A motion to consider a bill section by section is debatable within narrow limits, i. e., the pros and cons of such proposed consideration can be debated but not the merits of the bill. An amendment to strike the enacting clause shall take precedence over other amendments whenever offered." (H. S. R. 3, 59th Reg., January 12, 1965)

Rule 19. Section 7. The following annotation is based on a point of order raised during the 59th Legislature:

EXAMPLE OF AN AMENDMENT
THAT IS NOT GERMANE

The House was considering House Joint Resolution 6, amending the Constitution to provide that equality under the law shall not be denied or abridged because of sex. Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Lee offered an amendment to require the Supreme Court of Texas, upon the adoption of the amendment by the people, to file with the Secretary of State a list

of articles or sections of the General Laws of Texas it judges to be in conflict with this amendment, which list shall constitute a decision of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Eckhardt raised the point of order against further consideration of the amendment on the ground that it was not germane to the resolution. The Speaker, Mr. Barnes, sustained the point of order. (59th Reg., March 2, 1965)

Rule 28. Section 2.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 2 of Rule 28, the following House Regulations Governing Television and Radio are included in the Supplement as an annotation to that Rule:

**HOUSE REGULATIONS GOVERNING
TELEVISION AND RADIO**

1. All applicants who desire to apply under Rule No. 28, Section 2, for the purpose of securing a permit to televise and/or broadcast proceedings of the House of Representatives, whether live, filmed or recorded, shall file an application with the Rules Committee which shall contain the following information:
 - a. Name and address of the licensed radio and/or television station or network.
 - b. Name, address and telephone number of the manager or managing director of said station or network.
 - c. Name, address and telephone number of each person for whom a pass is desired.
 - d. Any other information concerning the applicant which may be requested by the Rules Committee.
 - e. Appropriate credentials signed by an authorized official of the television and/or radio station or network must be attached to the application certifying that such person is a duly accredited employee or agent of the station or network.
2. A representative or agent of any station or network applying for a permit must appear in person to present the application to the Rules Committee of the House, qualified to speak for the applicant and answer any and all inquiries concerning the station or network and their request for permission to broadcast or telecast proceedings.
3. The radio and television industry will cause to be erected in a designated place or places an electric sign or signs which will read as follows:

"ON AIR"

such sign or signs shall be flashed on and off as a warning for thirty (30) seconds prior to the beginning of any broadcast or telecast, whether live, filmed or recorded. Such sign or signs shall remain ON continuously during the time any proceedings are being broadcast or televised, whether live, filmed or recorded.

4. Any permit holder who has been approved by the Rules Committee and the Speaker of the House and granted a pass or permit will be entitled to wire the sound equipment of his station or network to the public address system of the House; provided, however, no use of the public address system of the House can be made without the express consent of the Rules Committee and under the direction of the Chief Operator employed by the House.
5. Any licensed radio or television station or network which has been granted permission to broadcast or televise any proceedings of the House shall conduct its operation in a restricted area, or areas, provided and designated in the gallery of the House of Representatives by the Rules Committee, to be specified and pointed out to the representatives of the station or network by the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House.
6. No camera or sound equipment shall be allowed on the floor of the House except on special occasions when approved in advance by the Rules Committee.
7. The names of persons, firms, or corporations which are granted a pass or permit to broadcast or televise proceedings of the House shall be printed in the House Journal.
8. No proceedings of the House shall be broadcast or telecast as a sponsored program, whether live, filmed or recorded, unless and until the sponsor has been approved by the Rules Committee at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of such broadcast or telecast, except, however, such approval of sponsorship shall not be required if the broadcast or telecast is used only as a part of a regularly scheduled news program or carried as a public service without sponsorship.
9. All persons, stations, or networks granted permission to broadcast or telecast proceedings of the House under the authority hereof shall be held to strict accountability for full, complete and good faith compliance with the provisions of these regulations and such other formal instructions as may be given by the Rules Committee. Any violation of such rules, regulations or instructions may subject the individual, the station, and/or the network to the revocation of its permit to broadcast or televise further proceedings of the House of Representatives. (59th Reg., January 28, 1965)

RULES OF THE SENATE

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Rule 55.

"It shall be in order for the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills to report at any time. The duties of the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills shall be to examine all bills and resolutions enrolled and engrossed in the Senate and, when properly enrolled, as directed by the Committee or by the Senate, to report thereon and attend to the signing of the bills and resolutions by the proper officials of the Legislature and the delivery to the Comptroller, if necessary, and to the Governor, provided, however, that all bills and resolutions required to be delivered to the Comptroller, in appropriate instances, and to the Governor, shall be original typewriting. No multigraphed, multilithed, mimeographed, printed, carbon, or any other kind of copies or reproductions shall be delivered to the Comptroller and to the Governor, unless otherwise directed by the Committee or by the Senate. The Committee is authorized to employ a Secretary, whose duties shall be as directed by the Committee or by the Senate.

House Amendments to any Senate Bill, Joint Resolution, or Concurrent Resolution shall be printed in the Senate Journal and the date on which such measure is sent to the Governor shall be noted in said Journal." (S. R. 10, 59th Reg., January 14, 1965)

Rule 77. Rule 77 is amended by adding:

"(25) A Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills." (S. R. 9, 59th Reg., January 14, 1965)

JOINT RULES OF THE TWO HOUSES

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Rule 9A is amended to read as follows:

"9A. In order to assure the continuation of financial support of existing state services through the consideration and passage of the General Appropriations Bill, it shall not be in order during the first 120 days of the regular session for the respective presiding officer to lay before either House of the Legislature, or for either House or any Committee thereof, to consider prior to the consideration, passage and certification by the Comptroller of the General Appropriations Bill any bill which directly or indirectly:

1. Appropriates money from the State Treasury;
2. Prevents any money from entering the State Treasury;
3. Transfers, diverts or appropriates money in the State Treasury from one fund to another fund except from a special fund into the General Revenue Fund.
4. Requires certification of the Comptroller under Article 3, Section 49a of the Constitution; except any bill appropriating funds for
 1. The payment of expenses of the Legislature;
 2. The payment of judgements against the State.

This rule is to assure prior consideration and passage of the General Appropriations Bill and shall be strictly adhered to.

The Finance Committee of the Senate and the Appropriation Committee of the House are required to report the General Appropriations Bill not later than the seventieth calendar day of a regular session or the fifteenth calendar day of a special session." (H. C. R. 37, 59th Reg., March 1, 1965)